UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

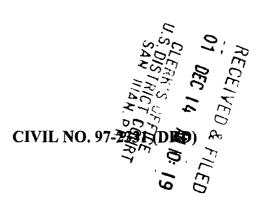
METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, INC., d/b/a NATIONAL BENEFIT COMMUNICATION, INC., et als.,

Defendants.



ORDER

A SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE shall be held on January 17, 2002 at 5:30 PM. The Court reminds counsel that principals must be available either in Court or via telephone during the Conference. Further, the Court expects that counsel will have previously discussed the possibility settlement amongst each other prior to the Conference.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: December 10, 2001.

DANIEL R. DOMINGUEZ

U.S. District Judge

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